S. No,	Name	AIDS Cases
21	Nagaland	37
22	Manipur	538
23	Mizoram	12
24	Meghalaya	8
25	Pondicherry	141
26	Punjab	100
27	Rajasthan	122
28	Sikkim	2
29	Tamilnadu	5741
30	Tripura	0
31	Uttar Pradesh	238
32	West Bengal	57
	Total:	12389

Blood Policy

2240. CHAUDHARY CHUNNI LAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the blood supply is much less than its requirement in the country; if so, the details thereof;

(b) what is the criteria for setting up blood banks and the number of blood banks operating in the country, State-wise;

(c) what steps Government have taken to meet the requirement of blood in the country; and

(d) whether Government propose to announce new blood policy; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) There is no overall shortage of blood in the country. However, there could be seasonal and occasional shortages of blood in different parts of the country.

(b) Blood banks in the country are set up according to demand for blood and availability of donors. A list of licensed blood banks functioning in the country is given in the annexed statement (See below).

(c) For generating enough blood through Voluntary Blood Donation Programme, the Government of India have taken a number of steps such as media campaign through TV, AIR and newspaper; developing IEC material for one-to-one communication; observation of National Voluntary Blood Donation Day on 1st October every year; encouraging rational use of blood among clinicians and the launching of special campaigns to educate masses to support voluntary blood donations.

(d) A draft blood policy is under consideration of the Government.

Statement

State wise list of licensed Blood Banks

State	No. of licensed Blood Banks
Andhra Pradesh	121
A&N Island	2
Assam	29
Arunachal Pradesh	3
Bihar	40
Chandigarh (UT)	3
Delhi	36
Goa	7
Gujarat	124
Haryana	26
Himachal Pradesh	12
Jammu & Kashmir	10
Karnataka	94
Kerala	105
Madhya Pradesh	68
Maharashtra	222
Meghalaya	3

State	No. of licensed Blood Banks
Manipur	3 7
Mizoram	
Nagaland	1 48
Orissa	
Pondicherry	7
Punjab	50
Rajasthan	49
Sikkim	1
Tamilnadu	164
Tripura Uttar	5 128
Pradesh	
West Bengal	87
TOTAL	**1455**

Neglect of Ayurvedic doctors

2241. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item, "Neglect of Indian medicine resented; step-motherly treatment being meted out to Ayurvedic doctors, claims APADA President", appearing in the Deccan Chronicle dated 8th July, 2000;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) what steps are proposed to be taken to address the problems faced by the doctors of Indian Systems of Medical treatment as highlighted in the aforesaid news-item?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Central Government has already taken steps to develop Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy through a variety of measures covering the areas of education, clinical research and undertaking collaborative programmes using ISM and H practitioners to advantage.